

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:15
ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003
NGOS HELPING TERRORISTS GROUPS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain Non-Governmental Organisations have been helping the terrorist groups in the North-Eastern region of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have conducted any inquiries in this regard;
- (d) if so, the names of such organisations which are getting financial assistance from the Government and found involved in such activities; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government against these organisations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.15 FOR 18.02.03 BY RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY REGARDING NGOS HELPING TERRORISTS GROUPS.

(a) to (e) As per reports, the following NGOs have clandestine links with terrorists organisations in the North East Region:

- (i) Manab Adhikar Sangram Samiti (MASS) .
- (ii) North East Coordination Committee on Human Rights (NECCHR)
- (iii) United Committee, Manipur (UCM)
- (iv) Naga Peoples Movement for Human Rights (NPMHR)
- (v) Naga Students Federation (NSF) .

These NGOs have not been reported to have engaged themselves openly in supporting or promoting terrorist activities. These NGOs reportedly maintain discreet links with the terrorist organisations. However - 13 terrorist organisations of North Eastern States have been declared as Unlawful Associations under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

None of the five NGOs mentioned above is getting any financial assistance from the Government of India.